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METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING CANCER AND METHOD FOR

**DETERMINING CANCER SUSCEPTIBILITY** 

Our Ref. No. 1603/2

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

- 1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- 2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) in duplicate;
- 3. Copies of cited references (3 references); and
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references as well as Form PTO-1449 are attached hereto. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

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